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SUBJ: TERRITORIAL ASYLUM CONFERENCE: PALESTINE

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1. NETHERLANDS AMBASSADOR VAN DER KLAUW, WHO WAS A MEMBER OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE OF THE TERRITORIAL ASYLUM CONFERENCE, ALERTED US THAT SRI LANKA, WHICH CHAIRED THE COMMITTEE, IS PURSUING THE EFFORT DISCUSSED IN REFTEL TO AMEND THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT TO INSERT REFERENCE TO PALESTINE. SRI LANKA IS BEING PRESSED TO DO SO BY ARAB MISSIONS, WHO IN TURN ARE BEING PRESSED BY THE PLO OBSERVER. SOMALI AMBASSADOR OSMAN WHO SERVED AS CONFERENCE PRESIDENT AND DELIVERED THE AMBIGUOUS RULING WHICH PERMITS ARABS TO FEEL THAT THE ISSUE MAY STILL BE OPEN, HAS DECLINED TO HAVE ANYTHING MORE TO DO WITH THE MATTER NOW THAT THE CONFERENCE IS CLOSED, BUT EVIDENTLY TOLD SRI LANKA IN EFFECT TO WORK OUT THE PROBLEM ITSELF.

2. SRI LANKAN EFFORTS TO GET MISSIONS REPRESENTED ON THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE TO ALTER ITS REPORT HAVE FAILED AS THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NETHERLANDS (AND PROBABLY SOME OTHERS) HAS REFUSED TO GO ALONG. ACCORDING TO VAN DER KLAUW, SRI LANKA NOW INTENDS, THEREFORE, TO WORK PRIVATELY WITH THE SECRETARIAT IN NEW YORK TO HAVE THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT AMENDED. AS THE RECORD OF SECRETARIAT PERFORMANCE AT THE CONFERENCE SHOWS, SRI LANKA MIGHT WELL FIND A RECEPTIVE EAR WITHIN THE SECRETARIAT.

3. RECOMMENDATION. IT MIGHT BE PRUDENT, THEREFORE, FOR USUN
TO FOLLOW UP IN NEW YORK (POSSIBLY WITH SUY, BUT WE WOULD LEAVE
THIS JUDGMENT TO USUN) TO HEAD OFF THIS SORT OF PROCEDURAL
IRREGULARITY AND THE POTENTIAL COMPLICATION IT COULD INTRODUCE
INTO A RENEWED CONFERENCE. CATTO

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